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MEMO ENDORSEMENT.

The application to accept the guilty plea remotely will be granted upon submission of a letter showing or agreeing that the plea cannot be further delayed to permit an appearance in person without serious harm to the interests of justice.

1/12/2022 so ordered.

LEWÍS J. LIMAN United States District Judge

BY ECF

Honorable Lewis J. Lima
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re:

United States v. Jesus Alberto Brito Maldonado

21 CR. 167 (LJL)

Dear Judge Liman,

I write to request that the January 21 motions hearing and status conference be converted to a change of plea proceeding as the parties have reached a resolution in this matter. I further request that the change of plea proceeding be conducted remotely by videoconference given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. A remote proceeding would minimize the risks to the parties given the steep rise of COVID-19 cases in New York City. Mr. Brito is not detained and would consent to proceeding by video.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Zawadi Baharanyi Assistant Federal Defender 917-612-2753

cc: Jonathan Bodansky (ECF).